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SENATOR CHAMBERS:      Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, Senator Hartnett. And I have to clarify something for Senator Mines. I didn't indicate at any time that I had done research on Senator Mines. I had mentioned yesterday that I was going by what he said on this floor. He talked about the good wages and salaries of people in his area. He said that; I didn't. And I said, because the people in his area don't have a problem, I can understand why minimum wage doesn't mean anything to him. That's what my argument was yesterday and it stands true today. If you came from an area where the people had these low jobs, you'd be saying something different. I didn't say that I knew anything about you. I don't spend time trying to do background checks on the people on this floor. But I can go by what people say, and I extrapolate and I draw conclusions. And if, as in your case, a person thinks I've been inaccurate, the person rejoins. Then I rebut. But on this particular issue, it's not going to go away. There are people who are working for slave wages whether you all want to acknowledge it or not. And if Senator Cunningham were in here, I'd ask him a question, but he's someplace else, probably doing some research. But in this discussion, people keep saying something about heads of households. I didn't make the argument about heads of households. I made my argument on the basis of anybody who's working, anybody. If we're going to say there's dignity in labor, there must be a fair compensation. I don't care whether the person is married, unmarried, has children, has no children, is in high school, college, or never spent a day in a classroom. I'm talking about people who have nothing to sell but their labor and their time, and when they are compelled to do that in a country this rich they should be given a decent amount. The minimum wage now does not give what I consider to be a decent amount. Even with the amendment, I don't believe that is the case. But when you're dealing with hardhearted people, you have to squeeze what little blood you can get out of that, not turnip, that stone. The only way you can get moisture out of a stone is if you can pulverize it, which we can't do, so I can't get moisture out of a stone. I have to get moisture off the surface of a stone. And the only time I'm going to find moisture on the surface of a stone, if it's not raining, is in the morning, early, when there's dew on it and I scrape the dew off before the sun comes up and dries it, evaporates it. But I